# **BAYFIELD COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES** TRANSPORTATION COORDINATING COMMITTEE

**MICROSOFT TEAMS MEETING** 

Meeting notes only due to the lack of a auorum

5/23/2022 3 - 4 PM

Committee Members Excused: Carla Becker, Perri Campbell-Shuga, Jeff Benton

Committee Members Present: Mary Dougherty, Jeremy Oswald, Carrie Linder

**Committee Member Absent:** 

Jenise Swartley Staff Present:

Shari Nutt, Pat Doust Other Present:

## 1. Call to Order and Introductions

Mary Dougherty called the meeting to order at 3:05. and introductions were made.

- 2. Discussion and Possible Action Review of the March 2, 2022, Meeting Minutes Tabled due to lack of quorum.
- 3. Discussion and Possible Action -Transportation Copayment Waiver Policy recommendation to Human Services Board-No action taken due to lack of quorum.

Discussion: In Price County, BART is accepting what a dialysis patient can pay at that time. They keep track of what she pays and charges Price County for whatever she isn't able to pay. In Bayfield County currently, there is a copayment plan for the volunteer driver program. Sometimes when people cannot pay, they set up a payment plan with the county. Carrie would like to see a way to make D2D more affordable for older adults and person with disabilities who do not qualify for other publicly funded transportation services. .If a waiver were implemented, persons eligible will be given vouchers and BART will accept and them invoice DHS for the service provided. The DOT 85.21 grant will be used to cover the cost of the vouchers. Individuals who are found eligible to have copayment waived will still be given an opportunity to contribute something to the cost of the service.

4. Discussion and Possible Action - No action taken due to lack of quorum.

Discussion: Age consideration for usage of the 85.21 grant We can be set as low as 55. It is currently set at 60 because other programs are set at 60. Tribal programs for seniors usually start at 55. Linder stated this is something to consider when submitting for the 2023 85.21 application.

### 5. Door2Door Update

The ridership is still low. They received a lot of excited callers when they sent out the first mailer, but that hasn't continued. People are utilizing it in the Mason area, and they're giving rides here and there.

#### 6. D2D County-wide mailing

In an attempt to increase ridership, BART is going to send out another county-wide mailer. We reviewed it and made some edits. These can also be given out through County and CORE programs.

# 7. General Marketing Plan for Transportation Tabled

Future Meeting Date
6/20 either from 8-9 AM or 3-4 PM.

# **Adjournment**

Statement to adjourn at 4:00,by Chair Dougherty.

Notes respectfully submitted by Jenise Swartley.